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Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. (A Substitute Specification with marked up version submitted concurrently herewith).

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.